

On substitute page 22:

in line 5, after "step", insert --;

in line 19, replace "DW-R" with --TW-R--; and

in line 20, after "example", insert --.

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On page 23:

in line 10, replace "Given" with --For--;

in line 11, cancel ", respectively";

in line 15, replace "Further" with --Furthermore--; and

below line 25, insert

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-- The above-described apparatus is illustrative of the principles of the present invention. Numerous modifications and adaptations thereof will be readily apparent to those skilled in this art without departing from the spirit and scope of the present invention.--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

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On page 24 :

replace line 1 with --WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:--;

Please amend claims 1-15 as follows:

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1. (Amended) A network [Network] switching unit arrangement [(IGATE)] for a communication system [(PBX)], [--] comprising:
a [at least one] data network line unit [(LAN-AE)] comprising a data network interface [(LANS)] for a [the] connection to a local data network; [(LAN),]

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[-- comprising] a signaling unit [(SE)] for a [the] connection to a control unit [(STE)] of said [the] communication system; [(PBX),]
[-- comprising at least one] a PCM line unit [(PCM-AE)] comprising a bidirectional time-division multiplex-oriented PCM interface [(PCMS)] for a [the] connection to a switching network module [(KN)] of said [the] communication system, said PCM line unit comprising: [(PBX), that]

[--] a DTMF recognition unit [(DTMF)] for an [the]
identification and analysis of control information received via said [the] payload
connections in a [the] form of DTMF signals; [,]

10 [-- comprising] a conversion unit [(MH)] that is connected to said [the]
data network line unit [(LAN-AE)], to said [the] signaling unit [(SE)] and to said
[the] PCM line unit, said conversion unit comprising: [(PCM-AE), and that]

[-- comprises] a switching unit [(VM-R)] for communicating
[the communication of] data packets depending [dependent] on said [the]
15 evaluation result; [,] and

2. (Amended) An arrangement [Arrangement] according to claim 1,
wherein said [characterized in that the] network switching unit [(IGATE)] is
20 [fashioned as] a subscriber line assembly of said [the] communication system
[(PBX)].

3. (Amended) An arrangement [Arrangement] according to claim 1 [or 2, characterized in that the] wherein said switching unit [(VM-R) comprises means] is configured for communicating said [the communication of the] data packets: a) [--] between internal communication terminal devices [(KE3, KE\$)] connected to said [the] communication system [(PBX)] and said [the] local network [(LAN)], and b) [--] between external terminal devices that are connected to further interconnected communication systems[(KW1, KE2)] forming a

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7. (Amended) An arrangement [Arrangement] according to claim 6, wherein: [characterized in that]

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a security unit [(FWALL)] for checking [the] routing information

11. (Amended) An arrangement [Arrangement] according to claim 1,
5 further comprising [one of the preceding claims, characterized in that the network
switching unit (IGATE) comprises]

10 12. (Amended) An arrangement [Arrangement] according to claim 3,
further comprising: [through 11, characterized in that the network switching unit
 (IGATE) comprises]

13. (Amended) An arrangement [Arrangement] according to claim 1, further comprising: [one of the preceding claims, characterized in that the network switching unit (IGATE) comprises at least one]

25 14. (Amended) An arrangement [Arrangement] according to claim 13,
further comprising: [characterized in that the network switching unit (IGATE)

[illegible]

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19. An arrangement according to claim 11, further comprising:
an output unit for communicating stored messages to an external terminal